

SENATOR HARTNETT: Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM PRESIDING

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Vrtiska, followed by Senators Witek and Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. Senator Wehrbein, a question please.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR VRTISKA: One of the...did you indicate that the cost of this is included in the budget for the...for the...?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I, per conversation...I've forgotten now when, time flies, whether it was this...yesterday or last week, was last week, per our conversation, they felt they could do this within the Corrections' present budget, would not need to expend additional money. It would be staff time primarily.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you. The only other question I had was we were...we've been in the process of approving expenditures for temporary quarters and also the discussion about a permanent prison facility. Is that right?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Given that situation, are these going to move ahead before this study comes back to determine the growth and the necessity of current and future projections of the population or...? I'm just curious how this is going to work.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Would you repeat your question? I didn't...

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well,...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ..catch the first part.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ..we've been discussing the possibility of construction of temporary facilities and a permanent prison facilities here a couple of days ago or whenever it was, and this says we're going to do a study on the needs and the